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tea, cacao, quinine, sugar-cane, and other great industrial plants and the weather conditions which promote the various plantation and forest industries.

Zur Erwerbung von Deutsch-Ostafrika. Ein Beitrag zu seiner Geschichte. Von Dr. Joachim Graf v. Pfeil. 231 pp. and Frontispiece. Karl Curtius, Berlin, 1907. (Price, M. 4.80.)

Count von Pfeil, one of the founders of German East Africa, has given here an account of his pioneer labours in that region, and especially of the ideas, policies and contingencies which shaped the efforts of the men who laid foundations for the German occupancy. The author has also much to say of the serious differences that arose between Dr. Carl Peters and himself with regard to the methods to be pursued. Peters had previously given his own version of the conflict between them. The work is valuable as an authoritative contribution to the history of the beginnings of this colony, and of the conditions that largely shaped the activities of the Germans in the first years.

In the Woods and on the Shore. By Richard D. Ware. xii and 279 pp. and 36 Illustrations from Half-tones. L. C. Page & Co., Boston, 1908.

These are descriptions of the chase and of the stream, sketches of happenings in the woods and along the shores of fishing waters. Of special interest is the detailed description of the range and habits of the Newfoundland stag and the black moose. All the pictures were taken with the cameras of the author and his friends.

Lala-Lamba Handbook. By A. C. Madan. 142 pp. Clarendon Press, Oxford, 1908. (Price, 3s. 6d.)

The Lala-Lamba dialects are nearly identical and the knowledge of either is a sufficient introduction to the other. Both are closely allied to the Wisa dialect, and this volume is a short supplementary account of the Lala dialect, showing its relations both of likeness and unlikeness to the Wisa. Of particular interest to students of Bantu.

The Lenje Handbook. By A. C. Madan. 154 pp. Clarendon Press, Oxford, 1908. (3s. 6d.)

A short introduction to the Lenje dialect, spoken in Northwest Rhodesia.

The Story of the New England Whalers. By John R. Spears. 418 pp. and 10 illustrations. The Macmillan Co., New York, 1908. (Pr. \$1.50.)

The author of this book has for many years been known as one of the best informed and most reliable writers on the various phases of sea life and enterprise. He now adds another volume to the considerable number of instructive and entertaining books he has written. It is the story of the origin and development of the New England whaling industry, especially adapted for general readers, and likely to take its place among those histories of adventure which are popular among boys and young men.

The history begins with the aboriginal whale hunters, the native Americans and the Eskimos, describes the early days of the Nantucket industry and the part that other American ports took in it, tells of whales as the whalers knew them, describes whaling as a business enterprise, and recites numerous adventures of our whalemén in the pursuit of the animal.